

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

July 28th, 2024

10th Sunday after Pentecost

"Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those that were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted." – John 6: 11

As we gather, we are mindful of the fact that we meet on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Treaty Six First Nations and the traditional home of the Métis.

We are grateful for the hospitality we have received as settlers in this place and recommit ourselves to the work of reconciliation and building good relations with the First Peoples of this land.

Prelude: Sonata no. 8 in C minor, Op. 13 (*Pathétique*), Mov't. 2 – Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Preparation for Worship:

As the Christ Candle is lit, we invite you to observe a time of quiet reflection prior to our service.

Welcome and Announcements

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

All God's works give thanks to the Lord.

We will lift up our voices in praise.

The Lord is near to all who call upon God in truth.

We will sing of God's power and speak of God's loving kindness.

Let us worship God who is faithful in all things.

Let us praise God's holy name forever.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Your faithfulness, O Lord, is sure"

#104

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

Gracious and Generous God,

**we gather each week to be fed by your love,
trusting that you will embrace us.**

We confess we are not nearly so generous with our love.

**We are often suspicious of others,
fearful of what they seek from us.**

**We criticize what others do,
but rarely question our own motivations.**

Forgive us, O God,

and awaken our generosity toward others.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)

Children's Time

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Praise: *"Sing your praise to God eternal"* #423
(Children return to pews)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

2 Samuel 11: 1-15

- Jim Fenton

Psalms 145: 10-18 Refrain 1

Ephesians 3: 14-21

John 6: 1-21

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "A Miracle" - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: The Girl with the Flaxen Hair – Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Doxology (#830) and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below: praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Praise: *"Let Christian faith and hope dispel"* #368

Benediction

A-men, a-men, a - - - men

Postlude: Sonata no. 27 in E minor, Op. 90, Mov't. 2 – Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Greeters & Collectors: Christine Meier, Esther Efeme, Sammy & Prince Lyonga Ngombe

Opening & Closing Attendants: Nick Lamb & Kelly Christopher Lamb

No Coffee Time over the summer



YOU ARE INVITED to the lower hall following the worship service for refreshments and conversation

A SPECIAL WELCOME is extended to our visitors this morning. Please sign the guest book in the entranceway, or fill out a visitor's envelope found in the pews. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider St.

Andrew's.

CHILDCARE: There is a nursery available in the lower hall.

LARGE PRINT Bibles, bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.

PARKING: There is courtesy parking in the Delta's underground parkade on Sunday mornings (for those who have St. Andrew's parking stickers).

CONTACT US: Phone 306-242-0525, Email office@standrews-saskatoon.com, Website: www.standrews-saskatoon.com

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday, 9:00AM-2:00 PM

Announcements

Coffee hour will be suspended until after the Labour Day weekend in September. Laura and I would like to thank everyone that hosted or helped in any way to make this time of fellowship a happy and meaningful experience. We hope that when the new signup rooster appears in early September that you will sign up and together continue to build on what we had previously. Ideally no one should have to host more than once per quarter. Thanks again – Charles Roy

Fire Safety Volunteers Needed

Thanks to the hard work of Elder Kwaku Kyei, St. Andrew's is nearly ready to hold a fire drill. Kwaku is looking for five volunteer Fire Marshalls to lend a hand to ensure our church family stays safe in the event of an emergency. If you are willing to help, please contact Dorothy de Bruijn in the office: office@standrews-saskatoon.com



OPERATION SANDWICHES: The Outreach Committee cannot provide sandwiches to SNCM without your assistance, whether it is helping us make the sandwiches at our Sandwich Making Parties on the 4th Sunday of each month, or simply providing the funds needed to purchase ingredients (~\$150/session). Both are equally important.

In the past (pre-Covid), we were able to do this twice a month, which is something that we would like to be able to afford to do once again. If you would like to help via donation, you can do so through the church website, by e-transfer, or by your regular offering envelope. To make sure that the donation goes to the right place, please make sure that 'Operation Sandwiches' shows up somewhere in the text. Or, join on the 4th Sunday.

Prayer Requests: Email Margaret Wilson at: ma.wilson@shaw.ca More information on Pastoral Care Bulletin Board.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * Copies of the summer issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * Contact Information Forms
- * The latest edition of "*Saints Alive!*", the newsletter
- * Annual Report & Financial Statements

Missed out on a worship service?

If you are looking for a service you missed, or want to see information in a previous bulletin, simply follow these steps:

- 1) Visit standrews-saskatoon.com
- 2) Scroll down just below this week's video until you see the date of the service you are looking for and click on it
- 3) You can now click the video box to watch the service and the "(date)_bulletin" to see the bulletin

In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission made 94 Calls to Action; this week we are reminded of Call to Action #84.

Media and Reconciliation

84. We call upon the federal government to restore and increase funding to the CBC/Radio-Canada, to enable Canada's national public broadcaster to support reconciliation, and be properly reflective of the diverse cultures, languages, and perspectives of Aboriginal peoples, including, but not limited to:

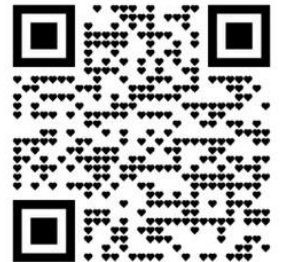
- i. Increasing Aboriginal programming, including Aboriginal-language speakers.
- ii. Increasing equitable access for Aboriginal peoples to jobs, leadership positions, and professional development opportunities within the organization.
- iii. Continuing to provide dedicated news coverage and online public information resources on issues of concern to Aboriginal peoples and all Canadians, including the history and legacy of residential schools and the reconciliation process

In Our Wider Community

Grace Church has moved its service from 1:00 pm Sundays to **8:00 am through to Sunday, September 15, 2024**. The Grace service will conclude by 10:00 am and they will be cleared of the Sanctuary by **10:20 am**. This will allow plenty of time for the St. Andrew's folks to set up and begin by 11:00 am.

Compassion Camp Registration Form

Changing the World with Lovingkindness, is a full day summer camp for kids in kindergarten to grade six. It is sponsored by the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism. It will run from 9am-4pm daily, August 6-9, 2024 at Grace Westminster United Church, Saskatoon. The registration fee is \$75 per camper, payable by cheque, cash or e-transfer to the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism (admin@pcecumenism.ca) Our mail address is 2617 Clarence Ave S, S7J 1M5. For more information, please contact Martha Fergusson 306.270. 2378
To Register <https://form.jotform.com/241435184949263>



Gustin House – Tuesday, August 20 at 7:30 pm. Cameron Crozman, cello and Meagan Milatz, piano, will be performing at St. John's Cathedral.

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, July 28

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, ARISE Ministry provides compassionate outreach and spiritual care to survivors of



sexual exploitation, trauma, and abuse in the Greater Toronto Area. This past spring, ARISE partnered with the production company of "Angel's Bone," the Pulitzer Prize-winning opera that follows two vulnerable youths who are lured into exploitative relationships by their traffickers. Along with members of the production team, ARISE engaged in an awareness and education campaign about human trafficking in Canada leading up to the performances. ARISE was also present for Q&A sessions after each performance to provide context for the show and to highlight ongoing efforts in Toronto and Canada to combat trafficking.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, July 28 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces.

Monday, July 29 We pray for those who are lonely and lack satisfying fellowship in their lives and that God will open our hearts and eyes to the needs of those around us.

Tuesday, July 30 (World Day Against Trafficking in People)

We give thanks for ARISE Ministry and the work they are doing to raise awareness of human trafficking in Canada, while offering care and support to survivors.

Wednesday, July 31 We pray for congregations that do not have the resources to call a minister. May they find new and joyful ways to worship and serve Christ.

Thursday, August 1 (Emancipation Day) On Emancipation Day, we pray for those that fight systemic racism and for an end to all forms of slavery.

Friday, August 2 We pray for the World Communion of Reformed Churches, for our current representatives and for those being nominated as delegates for the 2025 General Council that will be held in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Saturday, August 3 We pray for Kate Davis, who teaches at VST this month. May God bless those who attend classes with resilience and the resulting grace of joyful endurance in the work of ministry.